REMARKS

Claims 4 through 11 and 15 through 24 remain pending in the application. Claim 5,

6, and 15 are the only independent claims present in the application. Claims 4 through 11

and 15 through 24 heretofore on file were allowed prior to filing of a Request for

Continued Examination on even date.

The specification has been amended to place such in better form. It is respectfully

submitted that no new matter has been added.

Claims 4, 6, 7, 8, 10, and 15 have been amended to even more succinctly claim the

invention and/or to improve their form. It is respectfully submitted that the amendments

do <u>not</u> affect the allowability of the claims and that <u>no</u> new matter has been added.

Favorable consideration and entry hereof are earnestly solicited.

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